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TO THE HONORABLE TED STEVENS

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FROM SECRETARY KISSINGER
TO SENATOR STEVENS.

DEAR TED,

I WAS SORRY THAT I MISSED SEEING YOU DURING MY BRIEF
STOPOVER IN ANCHORAGE FRIDAY AFTERNOON. AS YOU KNOW, I
HAVE THE HIGHEST REGARD FOR YOU AND WOULD HAVE ENJOYED
HAVING A CHANCE TO CHAT DURING MY STOPOVER.
THE PRESS CONFERENCE I HELD THERE WAS IN RESPONSE
TO A REQUEST FROM SENATOR GRAVEL, WHO I HAD THOUGHT
WAS MERELY REQUESTING ON BEHALF OF LOCAL NEWSMEN THAT
I GIVE THE PRESS CONFERENCE. I DID NOT REALIZE HE WAS
GOING TO BE PRESENT HIMSELF UNTIL WE WERE ALREADY UNDER-
WAY. AS SOON AS I HEARD THAT HE PLANNED TO BE THERE,
I TRIED TO GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU TO LET YOU KNOW AND TO
INVITE YOU TO BE PRESENT IF YOU WANTED. I REGRET
THAT IT DID NOT WORK OUT. I HOPE YOU NOTE THAT IN MY
REMARKS AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE I STATED MY BASIC UNDER-
STANDING OF THE ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE 200 MILE LEGISLA-
TION. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN SOON IN
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